

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION

HOTLINE REPORT!

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THE QCWA ELECTION RETURNS ARE A LITTLE SPARSE. 9800 BALLOTS WERE MAILED AND THROUGH JUNE 8, 1983 ONLY 1621 BALLOTS HAVE BEEN RETURNED FOR TALLEY. SO THAT YOU CAN SEE WHERE THEY ARE COMING FROM, THE FOLLOWING REPORT SHOWS BALLOTS, BY STATES, AS OF JUNE 8:

AL - 10	IA - 12	NJ - 57	UT - 1
AK - 2	KS - 12	NM - 12	VT - 3
AZ - 22	KY - 2	NY - 84	VI - 3
AR - 8	LA - 21	NC - 38	VA - 37
CA - 165	ME - 12	ND - 3	WA - 57
CO - 33	MD - 21	OH - 73	WV - 8
CT - 13	MA - 12	OK - 14	WI - 29
DE - 4	MI - 37	OR - 33	WY - 2
DC - 11	MN - 12	PA - 47	
FL - 200	MS - 9	PR - 0	CANADA - 34
GA - 19	MO - 23	RI - 6	GERMANY - 32
HI - 1	MT - 8	SC - 17	OTHER - 8
ID - 7	NE - 15	SD - 2	
IL - 53	NV - 4	TN - 19	POSTMARK
IN - 18	NH - 8	TX - 107	NOT LEGIBLE - 126

POLLS WILL CLOSE ON AUGUST 1, 1983....THERE IS STILL PLENTY OF TIME TO CAST BALLOTS. URGE YOUR FRIENDS TO SEND IT THEIR BALLOT IF THEY HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.

HARRY MAY, PRESIDENT, EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER OF QCWA (60) WON THE \$10 PRIZE OFFERED BY HQ TO THE CHAPTER WHO WOULD GUESS CLOSEST TO THE DATE WE WOULD SIGN UP OUR 17,000TH MEMBER.

WITHIN A FEW DAYS WE WILL RECEIVE OUR "CONVENTION PACKET." THIS IS A TOTALLY NEW SET UP, EXPENSIVE, BUT WE BELIEVE WORTH IT. IT CONSISTS OF THREE PANELS WHICH MAY BE LOCATED ON A TABLE-TOP, AND WHICH WILL CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT QCWA. PACKING CASES HAVE BEEN OBTAINED. WHEN THE MATERIAL IS COMPLETE IT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT. WE HOPE TO DEMONSTRATE IT AT THE DENVER CONFERENCE FIRST.

TO CHAPTERS:

IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL AND REDUCE ERRORS IF EACH CHAPTER OFFICIAL SENDING IN REPORTS OF CHANGES IN OFFICERS WOULD PUT THE INFORMATION ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER...INCLUDE FULL NAME, CALL AND ADDRESS OF EACH OFFICER ELECTED.

WHEN REPORTING SILENT KEYS, PLEASE DO NOT BURY THE INFO IN THE TEXT OF A CHAPTER REPORT...EITHER USE A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER OR MAKE A SEPARATE PARAGRAPH IN THE REPORT. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT THOSE LISTED EITHER ARE OR WERE QCWA MEMBERS AT THE TIME OF THEIR PASSING.

ALL CHAPTER OFFICIALS SHOULD DESTROY ALL QCWA APPLICATIONS WHICH DO NOT CARRY THE FORM NUMBERS 11AA or 11AB. THESE FORMS HAVE BEEN ISSUED SINCE JANUARY 1, 1983. THEY CONTAIN THE CORRECT FEE SCHEDULES AND ARE PREPARED TO SHOW THE FIRST DATE OF LICENSING.

FOR QCWA NEWS AS WELL AS FOR QCWA RECORDS, PLEASE ALWAYS LIST A MEMBERS CALL SIGN AND HIS NAME...THE DOUBLE LIST PROVIDES A CHECK AND REDUCES ERRORS.

WE RECEIVE A NUMBER OF CHECKS FROM MEMBERS OUTSIDE THE USA. THESE SHOULD BE PAYABLE THROUGH A U.S. BANK...IF NOT, THE BANK UPON WHICH THEY ARE DRAWN CHARGES FROM \$5 to \$6 TO CASH THEM. AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY.....PLEASE, WHEN SENDING IN A CHECK INCLUDE YOUR CALL-SIGN ON THE FACE OF THE CHECK. WE OFTEN HAVE REAL TROUBLE IDENTIFYING THE PERSON TO CREDIT, ESPECIALLY WHEN A COMPANY CHECK IS TENDERED.

QCWA HAS ISSUED CHARTER NUMBER 145 TO ITS NEWEST CHAPTER.... THE CHARTER, ISSUED MAY 5, 1983, LISTS 12 MEMBERS. ACTIVITY WILL BE IN THE VICINITY OF ASHEVILLE, NC. CONGRATULATIONS GO TO

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AND TO ALL OF THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE WORKED TO BRING CHAPTER 145 INTO BEING. IF YOU KNOW OF AMATEURS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN QCWA, OR WHO ARE NOW MEMBERS, IN THE VICINITY OF ASHEVILLE, HAVE THEM CONTACT THE SECRETARY WHOSE ADDRESS IS:

W. L. Hayes, W4AFM, 9 Westchester Dr., Asheville, NC 28803

THE QCWA BALLOT FOR 1983 WAS NOT A SECRET BALLOT....THAT IS, IF THE MEMBER ATTACHED HIS MEMBERSHIP NUMBER IN THE RETURN ADDRESS IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT WE COULD HAVE IDENTIFIED HIM. THE MEMBERSHIP NUMBER SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE RETURN. IT WAS AN ERROR MADE BY W5EJ....REGARDLESS, IF THE NUMBER WAS OR WAS NOT INCLUDED, THE BALLOT WAS CONSIDERED VALID. BALLOTS ARE HANDLED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: UPON ARRIVAL AT HQ, THEY ARE STACKED AND COUNTED INTO GROUPS OF 100. NADINE WELLS, W5ZUT THEN TALLIES THE STATE OF ORIGIN AND, IF A MEMBERSHIP NUMBER IS SHOWN, IT IS CHECKED AND THE NUMBER IS THEN OBLITERATED WITH A WIDE BLACK PEN SLASH. AT THAT TIME THEY BECOME COMPLETELY UN-IDENTIFIABLE.

BALLOTS ARE SENT IN LOTS, WEEKLY, TO THE TELLERS. AT THIS TIME THREE SUCH SHIPMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT....No. 1, WITH 787 BALLOTS; No. 2, with 534 BALLOTS AND No. 3, WITH 300 BALLOTS.

INCLUSION OF A SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE IN QCWA NEWS WOULD HAVE BEEN COSTLY - REQUIRED HAND INSERTION WITH THE NEED FOR THE ENVELOPE TO BE CAUGHT BY A STAPLE. THE EXTRA COST WOULD HAVE BEEN IN EXCESS OF \$2000. THE FALL ISSUE OF QCWA NEWS WILL CONTAIN A DISCUSSION ON THE BALLOTING, AND THE SECRET BALLOT MATTER AND ASK MEMBERS FOR THEIR OPINION REGARDING FUTURE BALLOTING.

WORK IS GOING FORWARD ON THE UP-DATING OF OUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY TO SHOW THE FIRST YEAR OF LICENSING FOR EACH MEMBER. THIS IS REQUIRED SO THAT GOLDEN AWARDS MAY BE SENT TO ELIGIBLE MEMBERS AUTOMATICALLY WITHOUT THE NEED FOR APPLICATIONS. MANY QCWA RECORDS HAVE BEEN LOST THROUGH THE YEARS, AND IN THE EARLY DAYS RECORDS WERE NOT KEPT WITH THESE MATTERS IN MIND. ACCORDINGLY WE ARE DOING THE BEST POSSIBLE. ERRORS WILL HAVE TO BE CORRECTED.

THE QCWA HOTLINE REPORT IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AT A COST OF \$6 PER YEAR. NO LESS THAN 10 ISSUES ANNUALLY, FEB, MAY, AUG AND NOVEMBER.

The Very Latest member to be inrolled in QCWA (June 14, 1983) is:

Harvey Wetzel, K5DUJ, Duncan, OK

Harvey is member Number 17,139....and a special welcome to him.

A SPECIAL VOTE OF THANKS GOES TO SUNCOAST CHAPTER MEMBERS WHO ARE COUNTING BALLOTS FOR QCWA. WHY NOT KEEP THE BUSY...SEND IN YOUR BALLOT TODAY!



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